COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF KENTUCKY LONG DISTANCE)
COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CON-)
VENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE RESALE) CASE NO. 9074
OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND FACILI-)
TIES WITHIN KENTUCKY

ORDER

On June 5, 1984, Kentucky Long Distance Company ("Kentucky Long Distance") filed its application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to resell intra-state wide area telecommunications service ("WATS"). On June 19, 1984, the Commission entered an Order requesting additional information regarding the application. This information was to be due July 2, 1984. On July 19, 1984, Kentucky Long Distance filed a letter which requested an extension until October 2, 1984. This request was granted by Order dated August 3, 1984. The information was not filed by October 2, and the Commission sent another letter dated October 17, 1984, to Kentucky Long Distance requesting the information. On December 17, 1984, Kentucky Long Distance filed the requested information.

Kentucky Long Distance is a subsidiary of ASK Systems of Kentucky, Inc. It has been providing interstate resale of WATS since April 24, 1984.

Kentucky Long Distance uses a Mitel SX-100 electronic private automatic branch exchange equipped with generic 217 software to provide direct inward system access, less cost routing, and forced account code entry resale features.

The Mitel SX-100 will accommodate up to a maximum of 112 incoming/outgoing trunks in any desired ratio. Each outgoing trunk is connected to the system through a Lorain UFR-5050 voice frequency repeater. The UFR-5050 provides voice controlled gain in both divisions to minimize trunk to trunk losses. The 5050 provides flat or equalized gain at 2.3 MHz from 0 to 15.5 db in 0.5 db steps.

The SX-100 is an advanced digitally controlled solid state space division switch with stored program control. When a customer subscribes to Kentucky Long Distance, he is given a six-digit account code as well as the access number to reach the switch. The customer is also given a card and letter explaining calling instructions.

To complete a call the customer must have a DTMF telephone. He dials the 7-digit local access code, or the 11-digit travel access number to reach the switch. He will then hear a second dial tone, at which time he will dial in his six-digit account code. If the code is valid, he will hear another dial tone. Upon hearing this tone, he will dial the number which he wishes to call, including area code if necessary. It is not necessary to dial a "1".

Kentucky Long Distance has a standard by which not more than 5 calls per 100 will be blocked. This will be checked by regular traffic analysis.

Kentucky Long Distance presently serves all or parts of Harlan, Bell, Knox, Letcher, Leslie and Perry counties in Kentucky. They expect to obtain approximately 360 customers within the next 2 years.

FINDINGS AND ORDER

The Commission having considered the evidence of record and being advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

- (1) Kentucky Long Distance should be granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to resell WATS within Kentucky.
- (2) Kentucky Long Distance's rates should be approved and it should file its tariffs containing its rates, rules and regulations within 30 days from the date of this Order.
 - (3) Customer deposits should be placed in escrow.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Kentucky Long Distance be and it hereby is granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide resale of WATS within Kentucky.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Kentucky Long Distance's rates are approved and that its tariffs containing its rates, rules and regulations shall be filed in the manner prescribed by the Commission within 30 days from the date of this Order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all customers' deposits be placed in escrow.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 7th day of January, 1985.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

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ATTEST:

Secretary